



Idaho Crop Progress and Condition

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Snow Delays Planting Again

Agricultural Summary

Temperatures across the state ranged from two to twelve degrees below normal for the week. The majority of the state received snow early in the week which delayed planting for another week. The week finished with warmer weather. Major agricultural activities included feeding livestock, spring tillage, and planting small grains, potatoes, onions, and sugar beets.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture is above normal at 0% very short, 5% short, 81% adequate, and 14% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 4.2 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

Crop Progress Table

Percentages	2008	2007	Avg.
Onions Planted	80	98	84
Onions Emerged	13	14	32
Oats Planted	41	44	35
Oats Emerged	6	16	11
Field Corn Planted	1	9	2
Lentils Planted	--	3	7
Winter Wheat Jointed	--	17	6
Dry Peas Planted	6	25	27
Dry Peas Emerged	--	5	5

Field Crop Report

Many extension educators reported snow early in the week and some still report having snow cover. Bonneville extension educator reported that later in the week they had some warmer and drier weather which should enable spring grains to be planted soon. North and East Idaho are behind last year's plantings for essentially all crops. For example, in North Idaho barley planting is 7 percent complete compared to 44 percent complete last year at this time.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Gooding County reported that grass is growing slower than normal which may delay the grazing turn out. Hay and roughage supplies were reported to be 22% very short, 41% short, 37% adequate, and 0% surplus. Spring calving in Idaho was 92% complete, while lambing was 90% complete.

Condition Table

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Range & Pasture	1	5	56	38	--
Winter Wheat	--	--	8	82	10
Irr. Water Supply	--	--	29	66	5

Crop Progress District Table

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2008	2007	Avg	2008	2007	Avg	2008	2007	Avg	2008	2007	Avg	2008	2007	Avg
Spring Wheat															
Planted	10	54	43	97	94	81	87	93	82	18	49	35	26	57	45
Emerged	--	10	8	28	55	46	18	36	27	--	14	7	3	18	12
Barley															
Planted	7	44	32	93	97	76	67	94	77	20	39	16	31	54	34
Emerged	--	9	7	19	70	53	10	36	29	--	14	4	3	20	12
Potatoes															
Planted	NA	NA	NA	25	19	19	24	24	11	--	1	1	8	8	4
Sugarbeets															
Planted	NA	NA	NA	73	98	77	41	87	61	1	43	42	39	76	59
Emerged	NA	NA	NA	15	21	37	--	30	11	--	--	--	3	20	13

Avg (2003 - 2007); NA = Very small percentage of acreage in district.

Find agricultural statistics for your county, State, and the Nation at www.nass.usda.gov.

Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, April 13, 2008 ^{1/}

Station	Weekly Air Temperature				Weekly Precipitation		Since Mar 1 Precipitation		Growing Degree Days Since March 1		
	Hi	Lo	Av g	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Base 40 Total	Base 50 Total	Base 50 DFN
North											
Coeur D' Alene	66	33	42	-5	0.20	-0.22	2.60	-0.45	26	1	-15
Grangeville	73	26	41	-3	0.71	0.13	3.58	0.06	36	5	-6
Lewiston	74	35	48	-2	0.16	-0.12	0.88	-0.67	214	18	-31
Porthill	69	26	42	-4	0.00	-0.28	1.08	-0.94	21	1	-1
Winchester	68	21	38	-4	0.50	-0.13	3.10	-0.55	19	2	2
Southwest											
Boise	78	27	46	-3	0.27	-0.01	1.65	-0.20	128	12	-35
Emmett	70	27	43	-6	0.19	-0.09	1.47	-0.33	69	2	-46
Glenns Ferry	77	20	43	-6	0.16	-0.02	1.24	-0.05	87	6	-56
Grandview	81	23	45	-6	0.07	-0.07	0.56	-0.43	109	9	-59
Nampa	80	29	46	-4	0.16	-0.05	1.15	-0.33	124	14	-51
Parma	82	28	47	-2	0.02	-0.19	0.86	-0.73	142	11	-36
South Central											
Fairfield	47	12	28	-12	0.10	-0.12	0.85	-0.83	0	0	0
Malta	73	11	38	-7	0.00	-0.21	0.59	-0.61	31	0	-45
Picabo	66	16	35	-6	0.13	-0.08	0.75	-0.81	10	0	-6
Rupert	74	19	39	-5	0.02	-0.15	0.57	-0.59	34	2	-28
Twin Falls	76	23	41	-5	0.08	-0.13	0.84	-0.62	51	4	-32
East											
Aberdeen	69	19	38	-5	0.14	-0.07	0.40	-0.65	17	0	-28
Ashton	55	12	30	-9	0.01	-0.34	1.30	-0.89	0	0	0
Fort Hall	70	17	37	-7	0.04	-0.18	0.68	-0.83	16	0	-32
Idaho Falls	60	24	37	-5	0.07	-0.14	0.61	-0.60	9	0	-27
Lava Hot Springs	54	20	33	-10	0.19	-0.03	1.48	-0.03	5	0	-32
Montevieu	63	22	37	-6	0.01	-0.15	0.18	-0.77	5	0	-21
Preston	65	22	37	-8	0.04	-0.24	0.60	-1.06	23	0	-35
Rexburg	60	17	34	-6	0.02	-0.26	0.92	-0.53	2	0	-11

1/ Summary based on NWS data. DFN = Departure From Normal. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. Weather data prepared by AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit www.awis.com or call 1-888-798-9955.

